

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
A B S T R A C T**

Civil Supplies – Deepam Connections – Identification, Selection, Sanction and Grounding of LPG Connections under Deepam Scheme to women belonging to poor sections of Society – Amendment -Orders – Issued.

**CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES (CS-I- CCS) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No. 16**

**Dated: 29-07-2017**

Read the following:

1. G.O. MS No. 3, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies (CS.I-CCS) Dept., dt. 26.2.2015.
2. G.O. MS No. 7, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies (CS.I-CCS) Dept., dt. 10.06.2015.
3. G.O. MS No. 34, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies (CS.I-CCS) Dept., dt. 13.08.2016.
4. Circular Instructions of Commissioner of Civil Supplies vide CCS. Ref. No. PP2/1298/2017 dated 8.6.2017.

**ORDER:**

In the references 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Government have issued guidelines for identification, selection and sanction of LPG connections under Deepam connections.

2. During the meeting held on 24.03.2017, by the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Public Civil Supplies with the Joint Collectors, District Civil Supply Officers the issue of grounding of Deepam connections was discussed at length so that the 9.12 lakhs Deepam connection sanctioned and out of which 4.65 lakhs connections were grounded and so far Rs. 96.74 crores amount was released to the Oil companies and with the above amount about 6.04 lakhs LPG connections can be grounded whereas only 4.65 lakhs LPG connections were released and still 1.39 lakhs connections amount is already available with the Oil companies. In order to saturate LPG connections in the State, about (20) Lakhs Deepam connections have to be released and it is decided that the Selection and Identification of beneficiaries provision shall be transferred to the Tahsildars in place of Mandal Parishad Development Officers / Municipal Commissioners, so that the grounding of Deepam connections would be speed up and accordingly, necessary instructions have been issued to all the Collectors(CS), that the Tahsildars shall take action to identify, upload and ensure grounding of LPG connections under Deepam Scheme. During the said meeting it was also discussed to simplify the present system of selection of beneficiaries and ensure that Deepam connections grounding is stepped up.

3. After careful examination of the matter and in supersession of the orders issued in the references 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, it is hereby ordered to issue the following revised guidelines for identification, selection, sanction and grounding of LPG Connections under Deepam Scheme.

- i) In order to saturate the grounding process of LPG connections to the Non-LPG card holders, the system of allocation of Deepam connections from Office of the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, shall be dispensed with immediate effect.
- ii) The District Collectors shall identify and upload all the eligible cardholders who are not having LPG connections as per the ePDS data base. However, while selecting the beneficiaries, they shall maintain the SC & ST percentage of reservation. If the SC & ST beneficiaries are more than the fixed percentage, their names shall be included in the general category beneficiaries. The Non-LPG connection holders in the mandal shall be taken as target to saturate LPG connections to the cardholders.
- iii) The Tahsildars / Assistant Civil Supply Officers shall identify the beneficiaries from among the Non-LPG card holders and upon due enquiry that the cardholders is not having the LPG connections the action to upload the eligible beneficiaries is to be taken up in the Deepam site (epds.telangana.gov.in). The existing system of conduct of Grama Sabha and obtaining signature of Sarpanchas / Councilors shall be dispensed.

- iv) As the system of allocating, identification and grounding of Deepam connections is to be simplified, the proposal on obtaining approval from the Minister in charge of the District/District Review Committee shall be dispensed.
- v) Company wise allocation of Deepam process as per all three company market share is dispensed. Herein after all the Collector (CS)/ CRO, Hyderabad shall issue instructions to all the District Civil Supply Officers to take action to attach the beneficiaries to the nearest LPG distributors irrespective of Oil companies. However, the DCSOs shall give preference to attach the beneficiaries to such of those LPG distributors who are having less number of LPG connections.
- vi) The District Collectors / Chief Rationing Officer, Hyderabad, shall arrange to send letters to the beneficiaries thus identified requiring them to give an undertaking indicating that she is not in possession of a LPG / Deepam Connection and once the connection is granted, she shall utilize for her own family needs and shall not sell it to others nor lend it to others. They shall also furnish their **Aadhaar** number.
- vii) On receipt of such an undertaking, the data shall be uploaded in the system for cross checking with **Aadhaar** number from the list already seeded whether the beneficiary is already in possession of LPG/ Deepam connection and after satisfying that the beneficiary is not having a LPG/Deepam connection, sanction order will be issued in the name of the beneficiary and list communicated to the Oil Companies for grounding the connection.

4. The LPG dealer from whom the connection is to be issued shall assign the consumer number, issue the connection and upload on web site – [www.epds.telangana.gov.in](http://www.epds.telangana.gov.in).

5. After this, the Assistant Civil Supply Officers / Tahsildars shall verify whether the grounding of the connection has been done and after verification, certify and shall upload the ground details with necessary remarks for adjustment of the security deposit paid to the Oil Companies.

6. All the Collectors / Chief Rationing Officer, Hyderabad, are informed that the above instructions shall be followed scrupulously. Government or Commissioner of Civil Supplies may also issue any further guidelines from time to time which may be followed accordingly.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)**

**C.V.ANAND**  
**EX-OFFICIO PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To  
The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Telangana.  
The VC & MD, T.S. State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd, Hyd.  
The Commissioner, Municipal Administration, Hyd.  
The Chief Executive Officer, SERP, Hyderabad.  
All the District Collectors.  
All the Collectors (CS).  
The Prl. Secretary, Municipal Administration Dept., Hyd.  
The PD, DRDA (IKP)  
The State Level Coordinator for Oil Industry, HPCL, Secunderabad.  
The Chief Regional Manager-LPG, HPCL, Hyderabad.  
The Territory Coordinator (LPG), Bharat Petroleum Corporation, Cherlapally, Hyderabad.  
The Chief Manager-LPG, Indian Oil Corporation, Naspur, Himayathnagar, Hyderabad.  
The Chief Rationing Officer, Hyderabad  
PS to Minister for Finance and Civil Supplies.  
Copy to all the District Civil Supply Officers.  
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**SECTION OFFICER**